From newbies to network managers:

USAREUR program offers free computer training

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rom the mouse-phobic to the Microsoft-certified, service members and civilians serving in U.S. Army, Europe, have access to computer training designed to meet them at their current skill level and equip them to function at a higher level in an increasingly computerized world.

The cost for this training? For authorized individuals [see "What's your status?" at right] USAREUR foots the bill – there is no charge to either the student or his/her organization.

Classes offered through the USAREUR Automation Training Program range from a one-day introduction to basic computer skills (for the newest of the "newbies") to a three-week series of information assurance and computer defense courses aimed at those responsible for the administration and maintenance of theater information systems.

"[The program] provides quality, standardized training in the use of common software packages [and] required training that meets all information assurance standards mandated by the Army," said Scott Mandell, training coordinator for the Stuttgart site.

The UATP component aimed at the everyday user focuses on the Microsoft Office suite of applications (Access, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint and Word).

Introductory and advanced classes in each program (Excel also boasts an intermediate course) take students on a hands-on exploration from basic theory to advanced applications.

On the information assurance side, three five-day classes address issues such as network security principles, USAREUR information systems polices, network polices, terminology, troubleshooting

The UATP program has training centers in 13 locations throughout Germany and Italy. For students in the 6th Area Support Group, instruction takes place in the USAREUR Automation Training Program classroom on Stuttgart's Kelley Barracks (building 3307, down the hall from the community mail room).



Instructor Pat Hutley works with student Sharon Gallion in the UATP classroom in Wiesbaden. Students in the 6th ASG can attend training on Stuttgart's Kelley Barracks.

What's your status?

Eligible to attend UATP computer classes at no cost to the individual or his/her organization:

- Army soldiers of all U.S. Army, Europe, commands
- Appropriated fund U.S. and local-national employees working for USAREUR commands
- Nonappropriated fund (NAF) civilians working for USAREUR commands
- Non-USAREUR active-duty Army personnel

Eligible to attend training on a reimbursable basis (organization must transfer funds to USAREUR):

■ Non-Army service members and civilian personnel from U.S. European command, NATO and other non-USAREUR commands

Ineligible to attend UATP classes:

Contractors, family members and volunteers.

UATP Computer Classes in Stuttgart

March 26: MS Outlook 2000 (Introduction)

March 31: MS Outlook 2000 (Advanced)

April 1: MS Word 2000 (Introduction)

April 2: MS Excel 2000 (Introduction)

April 8: MS Access 2000 (Introduction)

May 1: MS Excel 2000 (Introduction)

May 2: MS PowerPoint 2000 (Introduction)

May 13: MS Excel 2000 (Intermediate)

May 14: MS PowerPoint 2000 (Advanced)

May 15: MS Outlook 2000 (Introduction)

June 3: MS Word 2000 (Introduction)

June 4: MS Excel 2000 (Introduction)

June 5: MS PowerPoint 2000 (Introduction)

June 10: MS Word 2000 (Advanced)

For more information

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- sttrngcord@training.hqusareur.army.mil
- https://www.uatp.hqusareur.army.mil



Garmisch Beat

Bad Aibling hosts Spring Bazaar

The Bad Aibling Community Service Club's Spring Bazaar is March 29 and 30 at the Transportation Motor Pool on Bad Aibling Station. The bazaar will be open Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event is limited to U.S. identification cardholders. For more information e-mail nanthomas@hotmail.com.

Burke Center takes tours

- Water Works tour (March 22): Visit the largest water-themed park in the Munich area. The group will meet at the Garmisch train station at 8:15 a.m. and will return later that evening (the last tour was nine hour long). Cost is \$39 for a "textile free" tour and \$33 for the pool only.
- Classical music in Munich (April 8): Listen to the music of Shostrokovich, Mussorgsky and Tchaikovsky as conducted by the world-renowned Gilbert Varga. Programs are \$9; tickets range from 20 to 35 euros.
- Amsterdam (April 9 to 13): The "tulip tour" is currently filled, although individuals may still submit their names for the wait list. The trip will cost about \$295.
- Venice/Verona (April 25 to 27): Two overnights, transportation to Vicenza and the chance to visit two of Italy's great cities costs only \$159. The trip is limited to 30 prepaid sign-ups.

For details about any of the trips described above call 440-2461/civ. 08821-750-461 or e-mail paul.dutro@garmisch.army.mil.

'The Boss' comes to town

Bruce Springsteen is bringing his world tour to Munich's Olympiapark June 10 – and a Garmisch group plans to be there. If an evening with "The Boss" is worth 74 euros (including tickets and transportation) to you, call Jessica at 440-2638/civ. 08821-750-638 or e-mail jessica.roberson@garmisch.army.mil.

Tax help available

The Garmisch Tax Office (Artillery Kaserne, building 202, second floor) is offering free tax assistance to all U.S. identification cardholders in the Garmisch area.

The service offered by the center's tax professional includes electronic filing and is available Mondays to Fridays, 8 a.m. to noon, by appointment only.

For more information call 442-2516/civ. 08821-759-516 during the tax center's hours of operation.

Crafts Tree needs instructor

Garmisch's Crafts Tree is looking for a qualified individual to fill a contracted hobby carpenter/woodcraft instructor for its woodworking hobby shop. For more information call the Crafts and Entertainment Office at 442-2475/civ. 08821-759-475.

Last chance to catch 'The Nerd'

The final performance of the Garmisch Players' hilarious rendition of "The Nerd" is March 29 in the newly opened Community Theatre (Artillery Kaserne, building 262). Tickets are \$8.

Call 442-2475/civ. 08821-759-475 for reservations